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SECOND ANNUAL INDIAN HEALTH CONFERENCE AT UM  
IS APRIL 10-12 FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

MISSOULA--

Students from 35 Montana high schools will participate in the Second Annual Indian Health Conference April 10-12 at the University of Montana in Missoula. The state's seven Indian reservations will be represented at the conference.

About 150 students, high school advisers and parents are expected for the conference, according to Pamela Rosette, Box Elder, conference director, who is president of the Native American Health Society (NAHS) at UM. The main objective of the conference is to stimulate an interest among Indian students in health careers.

Conference speakers will include Nancy Munro, a nutritionist at the UM Animal Behavior Laboratory at Ft. Missoula.

Public health material will be displayed during the conference in the 361 series rooms of the University Center.

Scheduled on Thursday, April 10, as part of the conference will be a tour of the UM Chemistry-Pharmacy Building, 1 p.m.; University mock registration to show prospective students how to sign up for UM classes, 2:30 p.m.; dinner, 6:30 p.m. in University Center Gold Oak Room, with entertainment by Genevieve M. Huitt, a UM student from St. Ignatius.

Keynote speaker at the conference banquet Friday night, April 11, will be Larry Thomas, a paramedic and service unit director for Indian Public Health on the Rocky Boy Reservation in north central Montana.

The high school students participating in the health conference will have opportunities to observe the practical aspects of Missoula medical facilities on Friday, April 11. A number of local physicians and other allied health professionals have volunteered to act as hosts for the students.

University personnel will present discussions on several programs offered at UM on Friday, April 11. Participants and topics are: Rosella J. Covington, project director for the Native American Cultural Institute, who will discuss the NACI; Barbara Olson, director of minority student recruitment for the UM School of Pharmacy, "Native American Careers in Health"; Marjorie Bear Don't Walk, project director, Indian careers in health, UM Native American Studies, "Indian Careers in Health"; Ray Carlisle, project director, Hill Foundation Project, UM Native American Studies, "The Hill Family Foundation"; Larry W. LaCounte, project director, Upward Bound and Special Services, who will discuss both programs, and Henrietta V. Whiteman, director of Native American Studies, who will discuss the NAS program.

The conference will end Saturday afternoon, April 12, following panel presentations by University personnel and recruitment officers from other universities.

High schools scheduled to be represented at the health conference are:

Arlee; St. Labre Mission High School, Ashland; Billings Senior; Billings West; Box Elder High School; Rocky Boy School, Box Elder; Brockton; Browning; Busby; Butte; Charlo; Colstrip; Dixon; Dodson; Edgar; Frazer; C. M. Russell High School, Great Falls; Great Falls High School; Hardin; Harlem; Havre; Hays; Helena Senior High School; Capital High School, Helena; Hot Springs; Lodge Grass; Malta; Hellgate High School, Missoula; Sentinel High School, Missoula; Polson; Poplar; Ronan; St. Ignatius; Valier, and Wolf Point.

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